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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

The Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks, Washington, D.C. 20231, U. S. A.

Dear Sir:

Please amend this application in the following manner:

In the Disclosure:

Immediately following the title and immediately preceding the first line of text, add to page 1:

"This application is a US National Phase filing pursuant to 35 USC 371 of International Patent Application No. PCT/CA99/00731 filed August 11, 1999."

In the Claims:

Amend claims 1 and 16 as follows:

1. (Amended) A branched copolymer of a polyolefin and a silicone polymer which is produced by melt phase reactive extrusion hydrosilylation.

16. (Amended) A blend of incompatible blend partners which are polypropylene (PP) and a methylhydrosiloxane-dimethylsiloxane random copolymer (MDMS), in which the incompatible blend partners are connected by a melt phase reactive extrusion hydrosilylation reaction in the form of a branched PP-MDMS block copolymer.